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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 20 CR 908

v.

Judge Steven C. Seeger

ELISA RICHARDSON

PROTECTIVE ORDER GOVERNING DISCOVERY

Upon the unopposed motion of the government, pursuant to Fed. R. Crim. P. 16(d), it is hereby ORDERED:

- 1. Certain materials provided by the United States in preparation for, or in connection with, any stage of the proceedings in this case contain taxpayer information obtained from the Internal Revenue Service (collectively, "the materials") and are subject to this protective order These materials may be used by defendant and defendant's counsel (defined as counsel of record in this case) solely in connection with the defense of this case, and for no other purpose, and in connection with no other proceeding, without further order of this Court.
- 2. Any materials containing taxpayer information obtained from the Internal Revenue Service shall be plainly marked as such by the government prior to disclosure. No such materials, or the information contained therein, may be disclosed to any persons other than defendant, defendant's counsel, persons employed to assist the defense, or the taxpayer on whose behalf such information was provided to the Internal Revenue Service, without prior notice to the government and authorization

from the Court. Absent prior permission from the Court, taxpayer information obtained from the Internal Revenue Service shall not be included in any public filing with the Court, and instead shall be submitted under seal (this Order does not, however, prohibit a defendant from making a public filing containing the defendant's own taxpayer information).

- 3. Defendant, defendant's counsel, and authorized persons shall not copy or reproduce the materials except in order to provide copies of the materials for use in connection with this case by defendant, defendant's counsel, and authorized persons. Such copies and reproductions shall be treated in the same manner as the original materials.
- 4. Defendant, defendant's counsel, and authorized persons shall not disclose any notes or records of any kind that they make in relation to the contents of the materials, other than to authorized persons, and all such notes or records are to be treated in the same manner as the original materials.
- 5. Before providing materials to an authorized person, defense counsel must provide the authorized person with a copy of this Order.
- 6. Upon conclusion of all stages of this case, all of the materials and all copies made thereof shall be disposed of in one of three ways, unless otherwise ordered by the Court. The materials may be (1) destroyed; or (2) returned to the United States. The Court may require a certification as to the disposition of any such materials. In the event that the materials are retained by defense counsel, the

restrictions of this Order continue in effect for as long as the materials are so

maintained, and the materials may not be disseminated or used in connection with

any other matter without further order of the Court.

7. To the extent any material is produced by the United States to

defendant or defendant's counsel by mistake, the United States shall have the right

to request the return of the material and shall do so in writing. Within five days of

the receipt of such a request, defendant and/or defendant's counsel shall return all

such material if in hard copy, and in the case of electronic materials, shall certify in

writing that all copies of the specified material have been deleted from any location

in which the material was stored.

8. Nothing contained in this Order shall preclude any party from applying

to this Court for further relief or for modification of any provision hereof.

ENTER:

STEVEN C. SEEGER

District Court Judge

United States District Court

Northern District of Illinois

Date: January 13, 2021

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